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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 20, 2003, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from August 20, 2003 to September 20, 2003. Because September 20, 2003 falls on a weekend, the request is effective for a carryover to September 22, 2003, the next business day.

Please charge \$55.00 for the required extension fee, and charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile in accordance with 37 CFR §1.6(d) to the Patent and Trademark Office, addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 22nd day of September, 2003, at 4-30 pm (Central Time).

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